

FOREIGN CLAIMS SETTLEMENT COMMISSION
OF THE UNITED STATES
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20579

IN THE MATTER OF THE CLAIM OF

EMMA V. DALLAS

Under the International Claims Settlement
Act of 1949, as amended

Claim No. CU-1806

Decision No. CU-1313

AMENDED PROPOSED DECISION

By Proposed Decision dated February 21, 1968, the Commission certified a loss to this claimant in the amount of \$682.56 based upon her loss sustained in connection with a Cuba Railroad First Lien and Refunding Bond (No. TRM33). The decision was entered as the Commission's Final Decision on March 27, 1968.

Subsequently claimant submitted a Cuba Railroad First Mortgage Bond (No. M823).

Upon consideration of this matter, it is

ORDERED that the Final Decision be and the same is vacated and set aside, and the Proposed Decision is hereby amended.

In our decision entitled the Claim of Joseph Gans (Claim No. CU-1720 which we incorporate herein by reference), we held that the properties of the Railroad were nationalized or otherwise taken by the Government of Cuba on October 13, 1960, and that this type of claim is compensable to an American national under the facts and conditions set forth therein. We need not again detail here the reasons or the method used in determining the value per \$1,000 bond of \$492.86 including interest to October 13, 1960.

On the basis of evidence in the record in the instant case, the Commission finds that this claimant comes within the terms of the Gans decision; that she was an American national at the requisite times; that she has been the owner of one First Mortgage bond issued by the Cuba Railroad Company since prior to October 13, 1960; and that she suffered a loss in the amount of \$492.86 within the meaning of Title V of the Act. Further, the Commission finds that the amount of loss sustained shall be increased by interest thereon at the rate of 6% per annum from October 13, 1960, the date of loss, to the date on which provisions are made for the settlement thereof. (See Gans, supra.)

Accordingly, the certification of loss, as restated below, will be entered and in all other respects the Proposed Decision is affirmed.

CERTIFICATION OF LOSS

The Commission certifies that EMMA V. DALLAS suffered a loss, as a result of actions of the Government of Cuba, within the scope of Title V of the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949, as amended, in the amount of One Thousand One Hundred Seventy-Five Dollars and Forty-Two Cents (\$1,175.42) with interest at 6% per annum from October 13, 1960 to the date of settlement.

Dated at Washington, D. C., and
entered as the Amended Proposed
Decision of the Commission

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Leonard v. B. Sutton
Leonard v. B. Sutton, Chairman

Theodore Jaffe
Theodore Jaffe, Commissioner

Sidney Freidberg
Sidney Freidberg, Commissioner

NOTICE TO TREASURY: The above-referenced securities may not have been submitted to the Commission or if submitted, may have been returned; accordingly, no payment should be made until claimant establishes retention of the securities for the loss here certified.

The statute does not provide for the payment of claims against the Government of Cuba. Provision is only made for the determination by the Commission of the validity and amounts of such claims. Section 501 of the statute specifically precludes any authorization for appropriations for payment of these claims. The Commission is required to certify its findings to the Secretary of State for possible use in future negotiations with the Government of Cuba.

NOTICE: Pursuant to the Regulations of the Commission, if no objections are filed within 15 days after service or receipt of notice of this Amended Proposed Decision, the decision will be entered as the Final Decision of the Commission upon the expiration of 30 days after such service or receipt of notice, unless the Commission otherwise orders. (FCSC Reg., 45 C.F.R. 531.5(e) and (g), as amended, 32 Fed. Reg. 412-13 (1967).)

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PROPOSED DECISION

This claim against the Government of Cuba, under Title V of the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949, as amended, was presented by EMMA V. DALLAS and is based upon the asserted ownership and loss of interests in a bond issued by the Cuba Railroad Company. Claimant has been a national of the United States since her birth in the United States.

Under Title V of the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949 [78 Stat. 1110 (1964), 22 U.S.C. §§1643-1643k (1964), as amended, 79 Stat. 988 (1965)], the Commission is given jurisdiction over claims of nationals of the United States against the Government of Cuba. Section 503(a) of the Act provides that the Commission shall receive and determine in accordance with applicable substantive law, including international law, the amount and validity of claims by nationals of the United States against the Government of Cuba arising since January 1, 1959 for

losses resulting from the nationalization, expropriation, intervention or other taking of, or special measures directed against, property including any rights or interests therein owned wholly or partially, directly or indirectly at the time by nationals of the United States.

Section 502(3) of the Act provides:

The term 'property' means any property, right, or interest including any leasehold interest, and debts owed by the Government of Cuba or by enterprises which have been nationalized, expropriated, intervened, or taken by the Government

of Cuba and debts which are a charge on property which has been nationalized, expropriated, intervened, or taken by the Government of Cuba.

On the basis of evidence of record, the Commission finds that claimant, EMMA V. DALLAS, is, and since prior to October 13, 1960, has been the owner of one bond, in the original face amount of \$1,000.00, issued by the Cuba Railroad Company, and known as "First Lien and Refunding Bond, Series B, 4%, due June 30, 1970" issued under Supplemental Indentures of June 2, 1926 and July 1, 1952, with the First National City Bank of New York as Successor Trustee. The bond in question is Numbered TRM 33.

The Cuba Railroad Company, by Indenture dated March 10, 1922, and Supplemental Indentures dated June 2, 1926 and July 1, 1952, issued Dollar bonds secured by mortgage upon the real property of the Company. By the Supplemental Indenture of July 1, 1952, the bonds were re-issued as 4% bond, due June 30, 1970. As of 1952, the outstanding principal balance on each \$1,000.00 bond was \$635.00, with interest at 4% per annum to be paid on the principal balance.

The Cuba Railroad Company, incorporated in the State of New Jersey, was wholly owned by Consolidated Railroads of Cuba (Ferrocarriles Consolidados de Cuba), a Cuban corporation. The Cuba Railroad Company thus would not qualify as a national of the United States under Section 502(1) of the Act which defines the term "national of the United States" as including "(B) a corporation or other legal entity which is organized under the laws of the United States, or of any State, the District of Columbia, or the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, if natural persons who are citizens of the United States own, directly or indirectly, 50 per centum or more of the outstanding capital stock or other beneficial interest of such corporation or entity.

The record discloses that the last payment of interest on the bonds was made on December 1, 1958. The properties of the Cuba Railroad Company

were listed as nationalized in Cuban Law 890, published in the Cuban Official Gazette on October 13, 1960. Claimant's bond, therefore, represented a debt which was a charge upon nationalized property, as defined in Section 502(3) of the Act.

The Commission concludes that as a result of the nationalization of the properties of the Cuba Railroad Company, claimant suffered a loss in connection with her bond within the meaning of Title V of the Act. (See the Claim of Albert I. Harris, FCSC Claim No. CU-2398.)

The Commission finds that the total amount of the unpaid indebtedness on the bond of the claimant was \$682.56, including the principal amount of \$635.00 and the interest due from December 1, 1958 through October 13, 1960, in the amount of \$47.56.

The Commission has decided that in certification of losses on claims determined pursuant to Title V of the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949, as amended, interest should be included at the rate of 6% per annum from the date of loss to the date of settlement. (See the Claim of Lisle Corporation, FCSC Claim No. CU-0644.)

Accordingly, the Commission concludes that the amounts of loss sustained by the claimant shall be increased by interest thereon at the rate of 6% per annum from October 13, 1960, the date of loss, to the date on which provisions are made for settlement thereof.

CERTIFICATION OF LOSS

The Commission certifies that EMMA V. DALLAS suffered a loss, as a result of actions of the Government of Cuba, within the scope of Title V of the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949, as amended, in the amount of Six Hundred Eighty-Two Dollars and Fifty-Six Cents (\$682.56) with interest at 6% per annum from October 13, 1960 to the date of settlement.

Dated at Washington, D.C.,
and entered as the Proposed
Decision of the Commission

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Edward D. Re

Edward D. Re, Chairman

Theodore Jaffe

Theodore Jaffe, Commissioner

CERTIFICATION

This is a true and correct copy of the decision
of the Commission which was entered as the final
decision on MAY 27 1968

Francis Neatman

Clerk of the Commission

NOTICE TO TREASURY DEPARTMENT: The above-listed certificates and/or bonds may have been returned to claimant and no payment should be made until they are resubmitted.

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